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1. Between 12 and 21 May and during the night of 13 May 1954, only individual flights by Li-2s were observed at Neubrandenburg airfield. Seventeen Li-2s were observed at the field on 14 May and 16 and 22 May. During the evening of 21 May, a Li-2 took off, and, after circling the area one time, the aircraft attained an altitude of about 800 meters. When the aircraft began to fly the second circle, 2 parachutists were dropped. On the next two go-arounds, 5 men each jumped over the same point. Shortly after the landing of the aircraft, another Li-2 took off and 2 groups of 7 men each were seen leaping. The individual jumps were made in rapid succession. The jumpers used chutes which were fitted to the aircraft and opened immediately on descent. Only once did a parachute not open immediately, but did so after a long delay. Ambulance                      was observed moving to the field. 25X1
2. On 17, 18, and 19 May, 12 to 15 men received instruction on a parachute at the field. Toward the evening of 21 May, parachute jumps were made from Li-2s. Seven soldiers each were seen descending twice from the second Li-2.                      25X1
3. On 21 and 31 May and on 3 June, during the evening hours, parachuting was practiced from Li-2s at the field. The parachutists wore flying suits of cloth and did not carry any weapons. No weapons were air-dropped either. Two Li-2s were employed successively. The first aircraft dropped 2 parachutists on the first approach and 5 men each on the second and third approaches. The second aircraft dropped 7 men each during the two approaches. The white chute opened immediately after the descent. After the parachutists landed, they were picked up by a truck and then hauled to the field. Between 31 May and 10 June, there was little air activity when compared with the preceding weeks. Only a few individual flights were made and even fewer formation flights             . An increased number of Soviet dependents have recently been observed in the town.              traffic at the field involved trucks                      25X1

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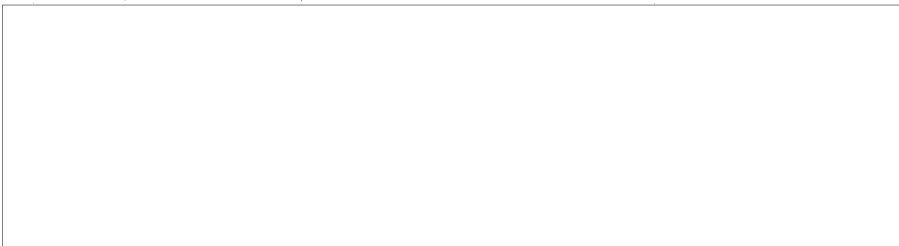
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 Comment. Neubrandenburg airfield is still occupied by a transport regiment equipped with 20 to 22 Li-2s.

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